

2023-2024 Fellows

The Marcus Center welcomes the following nineteen scholars as 2023–2024 Fellows to the Barrows Loebelson Family Reading Room located on the historic Cincinnati campus of the Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion.

Elazar Ben-Lulu, PhD

Ariel University, Israel

The Loewenstein-Wiener Fellowship

Celebrations in LGBTQ Jewish Families: An Anthropological Inquiry

Edward Breuer, PhD

Hebrew University, Israel

The Jack, Joseph, and Morton Mandel Foundation Fellowship

Jewish Reception of Modern Biblical Criticism

Matteo D'Avanzo

Scuola Normale Superiore, Italy

The Bernard & Audre Rapoport Fellowship

The History of Ethiopian Jews from Italian Fascist Rule to Official Recognition

Rabbi Cathy Felix

Independent Scholar

The Rabbi Amy & Gary Perlin Fellowship

The Life and Career of Rabbi George Zepin

Brad Johnston

Mississippi State University

The Walter & Chaya H. Roth Fellowship

Contested Relationship: The Shaping of American-Israeli Relations, 1942–1968

Miyuki Kita, PhD

University of Kitakyushu, Japan

The Malloy-Posner Fellowship

The Emma Lazarus Federation of Jewish Women's Clubs' Commitment to Civil Rights

Melissa Klapper, PhD

Rowan University

The Sherry Levy-Reiner Fellowship

American Jewish Women Who Travelled Abroad, 1865-1940

Amalia Levi

Bonn University, Germany

The Loewenstein-Wiener Fellowship

Enslaved People in Sephardic Jewish Households in Bridgetown, Barbados, late 17th to 19th centuries

Gabrielle Lyle

Texas A&M University

The Joseph & Eva R. Dave Fellowship

Development of Jewish Communities in the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands

Holly McGee, PhD

University of Cincinnati

The Rabbi Joachim Prinz Memorial Fellowship

Race Work and the Memory of Kivie Kaplan in the NAACP

KB Dennis Meade, PhD

Northwestern University

The Herbert R. Bloch Jr. Memorial Fellowship

Jewish Slaveholding in 18th and 19th Century Jamaica

Brian Ogren, PhD

Rice University

The Loewenstein-Wiener Fellowship

Kabbalah, Esotericism, and American Reform Judaism

Elliot Ratzman, PhD

Earlham College

The Rabbi Harold D. Hahn Memorial Fellowship

American Jewish Pacifists

Peter Raulwing

Independent Scholar

The Bernard & Audre Rapoport Fellowship

Julius & Hildegard Lewy: Refugee Scholars at HUC

Debbie Sharnak, PhD

Rowan University

The Rabbi Joachim Prinz Memorial Fellowship

Jewish Internationalism and Southern Cone Dictatorships

Haim Sperber, PhD

Western Galilee College The Rabbi Theodore S. Levy Tribute Fellowship

History of Jewish Families and Agunot

Felix Steilen, PhD

Dubnow Institute, Germany

The Jack, Joseph, and Morton Mandel Foundation Fellowship American
Legacies of the Hochschule für die Wissenschaft des Judentums

Amie Thurber, PhD

Portland State University

The American Council for Judaism Fellowship

A Historical Study of Rabbi Irving Reichert, 1895–1968

Cassandra Weston

University of Michigan

The Rabbi Ferdinand Isserman Memorial Fellowship

Sexual Dissidence, Jewishness, and American Radicalism, 1900–1930